# MINUTES OF MEETING CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LADUE ST. LOUIS COUNTY, MISSOURI TUESDAY, JANUARY 21, 2014, 4:00 P.M.

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Ladue, St. Louis County, Missouri was held on Tuesday, January 21, 2014, at 4:00 p.m., at the City Hall, 9345 Clayton Road. The following were present:

The Hon. Nancy Spewak, Mayor, presiding. Members of the Council present:

A. Charles Hiemenz John M. Howell Walter G. Stern John R. Fox Harold Burroughs William Brennan

Six Council Members present.

Also present were Michael W. Wooldridge, Assistant to the Mayor/City Clerk; Mr. Rick Jett, Finance Director; Rich Wooten, Police Chief; Fire Chief John Bailot; Jeff Johnson, Assistant Fire Chief; Ms. Anne Lamitola, Director – Public Works; Mr. James Schmieder, Director – Building and Zoning; Mr. John Maupin, City Attorney.

**Approval and Adoption of the Agenda:** Council Member Stern moved the adoption of the agenda; seconded by Council Member Fox and the vote thereupon was as follows:

Council	Member	Hiemenz	"Aye"
Council	Member	Howell	"Aye"
Council	Member	Stern	"Aye"
Council	Member	Fox	"Aye"
Council	Member	Burroughs	"Aye"
Council	Member	Brennan	"Aye"

The motion was passed unanimously,

# Approval of Minutes:

Mayor Spewak asked for any amendments, corrections or clarifications to the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Regular Meeting of December 17, 2013. Council Member Hiemenz moved approval of the Minutes; seconded by Council Member Stern, which motion passed unanimously.

**Public Forum:** Mr. James Breckenridge, 9782 Litzsinger Road, addressed the Mayor and City Council about a deer problem on his property.

Public Hearing: (None)

# **Zoning and Planning Matters:**

Request by MICDS, 101 N. Warson Road, for an extension of time for the removal of temporary classroom structures after obtaining an occupancy permit.

Ms. Lisa Lyle, Head of School, requested an extension of time until June 27, 2014 to remove the eight temporary classrooms until after school is out of session. She stated that the removal will take approximately 11 days and will represent a disruption to school activity and area traffic.

Council Member Stern moved to approve the extension of time until June 27, 2014 for the temporary classroom removal. The motion was seconded by Council Member Hiemenz the vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Hiemenz	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Stern	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"

The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

### **Proposed Legislation:**

**Bill 2080** – an ordinance amending the code of ordinances Section 94-34 Minimum standards of design and of development (4) Lots, c.

Mayor Spewak advised the amendment will provide for larger cul-de-sac or other turnarounds in proposed subdivisions.

Council Member Burroughs moved the introduction of Bill 2080, seconded by Council Member Stern, which motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Hiemenz moved the first reading of Bill 2080 seconded by Council Member Stern, which motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Stern moved the second reading of Bill 2080; seconded by Council Member Burroughs, which motion passed unanimously.

Council Member Hiemenz moved adoption of Bill 2080, seconded by Council Member Burroughs, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Hiemenz	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Stern	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Ave"

The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

Mayor Spewak declared Bill 2080 adopted as Ordinance 2080.

**Resolution 2014-01**, honoring Art Bond for his service to the City of Ladue as Councilman (2011 – 2014).

Council Member Hiemenz moved adoption of Resolution 2014-01, seconded by Council Member Fox, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Hiemenz	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Stern	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"

The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

#### **Financial Matters:**

The Council reviewed the **vouchers for payment** for the month of December 2013. Council Member Stern moved their approval, seconded by Council Member Fox, which motion passed unanimously.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Treasurer and Collector's reports for December 2013. The Mayor ordered the reports filed for information.

The Financial Report for December 2013 was not presented because of year-end closing.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Cash Flow Summary for December 2013. The Mayor ordered the report filed for information.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Delinquent Real Estate Tax Report as of December 2013. The Mayor ordered the report filed for information.

#### **Department Reports:**

**Fire Department:** The Council reviewed the Fire Department Activity Report for December 2013. The Mayor ordered the report filed.

Chief Bailot provided the following updates regarding the construction of Firehouse #2:

- 1. Construction began on January 13, 2014. Piers not previously shown on the plans were discovered during excavation and will require addition excavation.
- 2. A change order was issued regarding the steel manufacture and installation which resulted in a net cost decrease of \$21,571.00.
- 3. Contracts were approved for special inspections of soil and concrete inspections. Contracts were signed with SCI not to exceed \$8,600.00 soil inspections and Special Inspections not to exceed \$4,600.00 for concrete inspections.

Chief Bailot requested approval for the purchase of Knox box cylinders at a cost of \$7,982.00. He advised that Knox is the only available company for these key cylinders.

Council Member Fox moved to approve the purchase of the key cylinders from Knox as the sole source provider at a cost of \$7,982.00. The motion was seconded by Council Member Burroughs, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Hiemenz	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Stern	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"

The motion was passed by a majority vote.

**Police Department:** The Council reviewed the Police Activity Report for the period January 1, 2013 through December 31, 2013. The Mayor ordered the report filed.

Chief Wooten reviewed the preliminary year end crime statistics for 2013. He noted that 38% of reported crimes were cleared. He noted that 27% of the burglaries were cleared.

Sgt. Stork reviewed a request to Purchase 11 Tasers and 25 Taser holsters at a net cost of \$10,638.55. He noted that the current units are 11 years old and repair service is no longer available. Sgt. Stork advised that every officer carries the Taser as part of their uniform equipment.

Council Member Stern moved to approve the purchase of 11 Tasers and 25 Taser holsters from Taser as the sole source provider at a net cost of \$10,638.55. The motion was seconded by Council Member Burroughs, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Hiemenz	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Stern	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"

The motion was passed by a majority vote.

Chief Wooten requested approval to participate in a drug take back program through the Missouri Prescription Pill and Drug Disposal initiative. He stated the

program provides a container to be located at the police department where unused prescription drugs can be disposed in a secure environment.

Council Member Fox moved approval of the participation in the drug take back program. The motion was seconded by Council Member Stern, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Hiemenz	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Stern	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"

The motion was passed by a majority vote.

**Public Works:** The Mayor and Council reviewed the Public Works report for the period through December 2013. The Mayor ordered the report filed.

Mayor Spewak commended the Public Works Department for their work during the recent snowstorms.

Council Member Stern asked who was responsible for snow removal on public sidewalks. Ms. Lamitola stated snow removal is the City's responsibility.

In reply to Mr. Stern's question, Mr. Maupin stated the City may be exposed to civil liability for injuries in the event the City attempts to clear the sidewalks and the sidewalks refreeze with concealed ice. He recommended that the City adopt a policy to address the issue.

## **Municipal Court:**

The Mayor and Council reviewed the Municipal Court report for December 2013. The Mayor ordered the report filed.

Administration/City Clerk.

The Mayor and Council reviewed the building department report for December 2013. Year-to-date 230 reportable permits were issued for a construction value of \$56.3 million, a decrease of 43% compared to 2012.

Mr. Schmieder related that during the period 2000 – 2013 a total of 3,287 reportable building permits were issued reflecting a construction value of \$832,378,054.00. He advised that 19 new residences were permitted in 2013 at an average cost of \$1,643,844.74 per residence.

Mr. Wooldridge requested approval of a contract with Larimore Associates for software support at a cost of \$10,480.00. Mr. Wooldridge advised that the software provides for the operation of the city's address and property files, building permitting, and police incident records.

Council Member Fox moved approval of the contract with Larimore Associates for software support at a cost of \$10,480.00. The motion was seconded by Council Member Stern, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

Council Member Hiemenz	"Aye"
Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Stern	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"

The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

Mr. Wooldridge requested approval of a contract with REJIS for IT support at a cost of \$29,600.00. Mr. Wooldridge advised that the contract includes support for the City's network, workstations and the police systems supported by REJIS.

Council Member Stern moved approval of the contract with REJIS for IT support at a cost of \$29,600.00. The motion was seconded by Council Member Fox, and the vote thereupon was as follows:

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Council Member Howell	"Aye"
Council Member Stern	"Aye"
Council Member Fox	"Aye"
Council Member Brennan	"Aye"
Council Member Burroughs	"Aye"

The motion was passed by a unanimous vote.

Appointments: (None)
Liquor Licenses: None

Adjournment:

Mayor Spewak stated the next regular meeting would be February 18, 2014.

Council Member Stern moved adjournment, seconded by Council Member Fox, which motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM.

APPROVED THIS 18th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2014.

ATTEST:

Michael W. Wooldridge, City Clerk